

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: Phosphonocephem Derivatives, Process for the
Preparation of the Same, and Use Thereof

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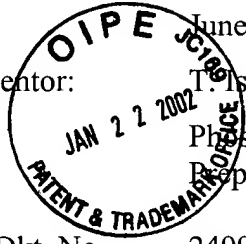
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AMENDMENT "B"

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 28, 2001 (Paper No. 8), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the amendment and remarks set forth below. A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, a Statement and a Petition under Sec. 1.197 (d) and an authorization pay the \$180.00 37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.17(p) fee and the \$130 Sec. 1.197 (i) fee accompany this amendment.

AMENDMENT

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice to the filing of future continuing applications.

Please substitute the following claims 1, 12, 13 and 14 for the claims 1, 12, 13 and 14 now pending in the above-identified application.

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